



The Hollyfield School e-bulletin Surbiton Hill Road, Surbiton, KT6 4TU 020 8339 4500

"There is a distinct sense of community in the school" Ofsted 2020

### Head's Line:

### Dear Hollyfield Community

We have reached the end of another busy term, I have written to all parents with a reflection on this term and an update for the summer term ahead, the letter is attached to the parentmail with this ebulletin or can be accessed here.

Some key points for the start of term are:

Start of term – Monday 17 April at 11.50am, except Year 13 students taking mock exams (times as per exam timetable) and the Land and Wave residential trip students who should arrive at 8.15am.

For the period 17-21 April students will only be able to enter the school site for morning registration through the Surbiton Hill Road gate, please ensure your child is aware of this.

After the Easter break students can wear the summer school uniform. That is, that they can wear polo shirts instead of shirts if they would like to.

Please refer to my letter for a full update.

Have a great Easter.

Ms A Jackson, Headteacher



# Term Dates Autumn Term 2022

6 September to 16 December (Inset Day – 5-6 Sept & 31Oct -1 Nov - except Y11 & Y13) Half Term

20 October - 1 November (see above)

**Christmas Holiday** 

19 December - 2 January 2023 (Bank hol 2 Jan)

**Spring Term 2023** 

3 January – 31 March (Inset Day –20 Feb– except Y11, & selected Y12 & Y13)

**Half Term** 

10-20 February (see above)

**Easter Holiday** 

3 April – 14 April (Bank Hol 7 & 10 Apr)

**Summer Term 2023** 

17 April – 20 July (Bank Hol 1, 8 & 29 May)

**Half Term** 

29 May - 2 June

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17/4 – Lessons start 11.50am 20/4 – Y12 AQA Art & Design 3D Design Exam

20/4 - Y11 Group photo

20/4 – Y11 Report emailed to parents

22-23/4 – DofE Training Expedition

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### OTHER NOTICES

#### Reporting your child's absence

When reporting your child's absence from school on the dedicated absence line, please ensure you provide their name, year and registration group, reason for absence and your details, please ensure you spell out your child's name to ensure they are marked correctly.

### Valuables in school

The school policy and guidance with regard to pupil possessions is clear that they are brought into school at their own risk. The Hollyfield School does not accept liability for any items that may be lost, damaged or stolen. While theft is taken extremely seriously and thoroughly investigated, the school is not in a position to cover the cost of any item stolen.

Of course, with respect to the last point, steps and measures are put in place to mitigate against such circumstances, especially during PE and Games lessons, where pupils' items are locked in the changing rooms. While this is standard procedure, there may be some extenuating circumstances where this cannot always be guaranteed. Therefore, I would urge your son/daughter not to bring expensive items into school.

### **Medical Health Care Plans**

Please can we remind all parents to complete a MHCP for any student with a medical condition if you have not already done so. Also, if there are any changes to a current plan please complete and submit a new MHCP so we can update our records. You can <u>print a form</u> and return it to school.

### Changed your address/email/phone number????

If you have changed your contact details, please email the school office on office@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk stating your child's name and form and the change of details. It is important to keep these details up to date in case of an emergency. Don't forget to update your Parentmail account with your new details.

### **Water Bottles**

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle with them to school every day, it is even more important during hot weather. Our water fountains can be used to refill bottles as necessary during break and lunch, it is not possible to drink from the fountains direct and we do not have bottles or cups to give out to students. Alternatively, bottles of water can be purchased (and refilled) in the cafeteria, please ensure your Parentmail account has enough funds to enable this.

### Surbiton Hill Road Entrance for cars

If you drive/collect students to or from school the visitor's car park/Surbiton Hill Road entrance **should not be used to drop off students**. This causes congestion for people entering the site and staff access, cars travelling on Surbiton Hill Road and is potentially dangerous for pedestrians.

### **Dinner Money Top Up**

Please ensure funds are available 24 hours before they are required when topping up your child's dinner money on Parentmail. If you add funds on the day they are to be used we will not be able to see the credit instantly until the system has processed it, therefore creating a delay in your child buying food at the canteen.

### Contribution to the School Fund

If you would like to help contribute to the school fund to provide additional facilities to the school and students, please click here for more information. We acknowledge that not all of our parents can make a commitment on a monthly basis. Having listened to those parents we also understand that some would like to make a contribution whenever they can. A donation payment link is available in your ParentMail account. We are grateful for any contribution you can make, regardless of the amount. Every penny will be spent improving students' experiences. Like the monthly contributions, your donation will go into the school fund. It will be used in accordance with the guidance given to schools regarding parental contributions.

### Open Door

Ms Jackson holds Parent Clinics on Thursday afternoon during term time. These are from 3.00pm-4.30pm for parents/carers to speak directly to her regarding any unresolved concerns/ suggestions. Please contact Louise Sutton to arrange an appointment on 0208 339 4500 or email <a href="mailto:lsutton@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk">lsutton@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk</a>.

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# **IN SAFE HANDS**

Once again, for your information, the key contacts are:

School! Get in touch with the Designated Safeguarding Team

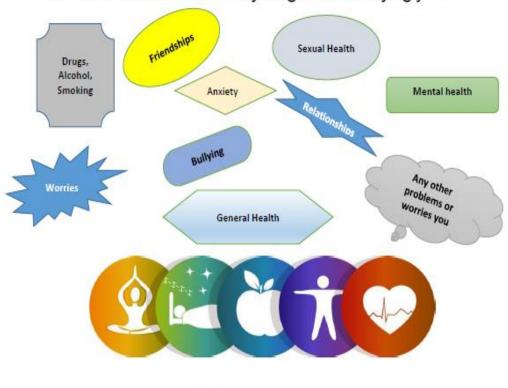
Mrs McGeoch: smcgeoch@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk

Ms Patel: <a href="mailto:spatel@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk">spatel@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk</a> Single Point of Access 020 8547 5008.

# SCHOOL HEALTH DROP- IN

WHEN: Tuesday Lunch time 11.40 -1.10PM WHERE: Room A12 (Top floor of ALBURY)

Come along for a CONFIDENTIAL chat with your School Health Practitioner about anything that is worrying you.....











# **HOLLYFIELD PTA NEWS**

### **Easy Fundraising**

This is a really simple way to help raise funds for the PTA in order to support the school and students. Easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand.

Follow this link to register and start raising some much needed funding - click

### **PTA Website**

There are lots of ways of finding out about the PTA and what we are up to - website, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and two email addresses.... they are all linked at the foot of each page....

### **Date of Next Meeting:**

Date of Next Meeting: w/c 24 April exact date TBC next E-Bulletin

# Pre-worn Uniform Store Next Date 22 April

**Pre Worn School Uniform store** for anyone to pop in and take what items they need.

If your child has lost or outgrown their uniform or PE kit please drop in and see if we can help. We have a large stock of items of uniform (particularly trousers) and PE kit including some shoes, football boots and trainers.

We operate a donation system for those that can afford to contribute. **Everyone Welcome** - it is best the items get used, rather than sit in a store or be thrown away!















# THIS WEEK.....

# **TOP ATTENDERS**

The year group with the highest overall attendance so far this year is Year 7 with a total of 92.71%. The top form group within each year this week is:

7bNMA - 99.02% 8rRHU= 97.50% 9rGST = 94.53% 10rBEJ= 95.22% 11rSCM= 94.46%

Well done to all these students, keep up the excellent work.

## **HOUSE POINTS**







	Eagle	Falcon	Osprey
Year 7	8047	8239	9210
Year 8	7838	8247	11360
Year 9	7794	6074	6069
Year 10	6026	6864	5150
Year 11	2498	5312	2052
Total	32203	34736	33841

### **NEXT WEEK**

Tuesday 18 April

Friday 21 April

Monday 17 April Year 13 Final Trial Exams (all week)

Year 12 Assembly – Common Room

Staff Inset

Term starts 11.50am for students Year 9 Land & Wave Residential Trip Year 13 Assembly – Common Room

Year 9 Land & Wave Residential Trip

Year 7 Assembly – Dining Hall

Wednesday 19 April Year 8 Assembly – Dining Hall

Year 9 Land & Wave Residential Trip

Thursday 20 April Year 9 Assembly – Dining Hall

Year 11 Group Photo

Art & Design GCE 3D Design Year 10 Assembly – Dining Hall



### **FORTHCOMING DATES**

17 April – Lessons start 11.50am

20 April - Year 12 AQA Art & Design 3D Design Exam

20 April - Year 11 Group photo

20 April – Year 11 Report emailed to parents

22-23 April – DofE Training Expedition

24-26 April - Year 12 Final Trial Exams

24-26 April - Year 11 Resits - English/Maths/Science

24-26 April – Year 11 French & Spanish Speaking exams

25-27 April - A Level Photography Exam

26 April – Year 7 'the Riot Act' Workshop (8.30-9.30am)

26-27 April - Year 11 Art Exam

27 April – Year 11 Textiles & 3D Exam

27 April – Year 8 Parent Consultation evening - 4.00pm

28 April - Year 7 Disco (4.30-6.30pm)

### **ACHIEVEMENT POINTS**

Achievement and behaviour points are awarded every day at Hollyfield in line with our school policy and are a fundamental part of school life. Students are rewarded in their classes for a range of different behaviours, this includes engagement in learning, showing progress, contributing to learning, helping others and many more. The school also runs gives out termly prizes for great progress, engagement in learning, attendance and also contribution to school life. We also continually try to celebrate the successes of our students outside of school life and encourage all students to be proud of their successes in whatever area they come from.

Behaviour points are given to students in line with our behaviour policy. At the heart of our behaviour policy is restorative approaches which is a strategy the school uses to allow students to discuss their behaviours with one another and also key staff and to move past incidents in a non-judgemental way.

Both of the school's rewards and behaviour policies can be found on the school website and if you have any questions about them please don't hesitate to contact Miss Patel (Assistant Headteacher).

The year group weekly totals are below:

Year 7 1207 Year 8 912 Year 9 742 Year 10 388 Year 11 126

The top performing forms per year group in terms of overall achievements were:

7bNMA 281 8rRHU 333 9rMLE 200 10bDMI 100 11rMFO 28

The top performing students from each year were:

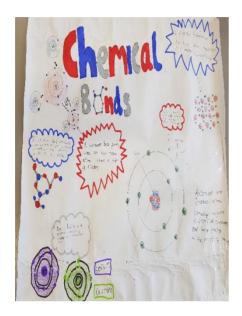
Year 7 Kaleb R Year 9 Roxy H Year 11 Ben H

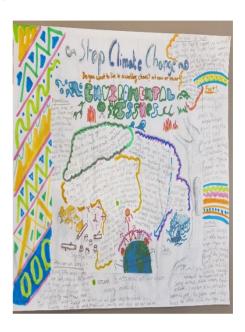
Year 8 Dylan S Year 10 Marley D



# MISS O'SHEA'S TEACHING & LEARNING UPDATE

Following the success of British Science Week earlier this month, we are pleased to be putting forward 3 entries to the national competition. Well done to Josh Pin Year 7 who was the overall winner from Hollyfield! We loved his poster about climate change. Our runner up was a joint effort from Maxim Y, Samuel K and Jeremi J in Year 7 with an excellent entry about chemical bonds. Well done to Coco M from Greycourt with her take on the theme Connections and how we can find human connections.









### **GUITAR LESSONS**

KMS have space for guitar lessons at Hollyfield. Apply now to start after half term.



For more details, follow the QR code or goto:

musicservice@kingston.gov.uk



## **GETTINGTO KNOW THE.....**

### **Business & Economics Department**

Mr Humm - I am in my second year of teaching at Hollyfield having previously run a Rugby Academy alongside a teaching role for 15 years in a local FE college. When I am not teaching, you'll likely find me out on the golf course or playing a game of rugby in the winter months. I try to bring that same dedication and enthusiasm into the classroom, where I strive to help the students develop a strong understanding of business principles and practices. Seeing the students grow, develop new skills, and gain knowledge over time is incredibly satisfying. I am always willing to share my knowledge and insights with the students, helping them to prepare for successful next steps whatever that may hold for them.

Mr Hammond - I am a Business Studies and Economics Teacher, I was born in Chelsea and grew up in Ghana where I attended primary and secondary school. I attended University of Leicester where I achieved a Degree in Economics.

### **CAREERS**



Careers Briefing - 30 March 2023 by Mr Poole & Miss Corrighan (Careers team)



Year 7s are invited to enter a careers competition to design their own poster on the topic My Dream Job. Students should identify a job or role which they might want to do in the future. The poster should include key details such as: Why are you interested in this job/why would it suit you, What are the main tasks, What skills and qualities do they need, qualifications needed, salary and typical working hours etc. Please see the Year 7 google classroom for more details and we look forward to seeing all the competition entries!

### **Careers opportunities**

Please see our weekly <u>Sixth Form Careers Opportunities 30th March</u> which highlights careers talks, work experience, university events and apprenticeships. See some of the highlights below:





### Launch a future behind the screens

Some amazing opportunities with Sky for year 13 students:

Ignite - sky working in sky sports, sky news and sky studios. Check out their website for more information and apply now! Fresh out of sixth form or college, or soon to be? This is the Content Academy programme for you. You'll spend 12 months in an area of our business, rotating through different teams, picking up new skills and experiencing everything Sky has to offer. Deadline to apply: 2 April start date: Sept/Oct 2023

Ignite Programme - Rigging Technician - Sky Studios Elstree

Ignite Programme - Runners - Sky Studios Elstree

Ignite Programme - Set Lighting Operations Technician - Sky Studios Elstree

Ignite Programme - Sky News - Osterley

Ignite Programme - Sky Sports - Osterley

Ignite Programme - Sky Studios - Osterley

A fantastic Easter STEM Work Experience taking place on Wednesday, 12 of April from 9am-3pm we'd like to share with you and your students. The event is with 4 FTSE Engineering and Science based firms and is open to all students aged 14-21. Please could this be passed onto students in relevant year groups. There is a flyer at the bottom of this email which can be used around school / college to promote.

**Wednesday, 12 April** from 9am-3pm, we will be hosting a virtual work experience day with Spectris, Malvern Panalytical, HBK and Servomex! Spectris. **Application Link:** <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6L87ZZK">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6L87ZZK</a>

#### **Architecture Residential Summer School**

Kingston University and Drawing Matter are running a FREE Year 12 Architecture residential summer school from the 24-29 August in Somerset. Accommodation and catering is provided by Sherbourne International School, with the workshops taking place in the local area. Travel bursaries to and from Somerset may be available where needed. We welcome applications from enthusiastic learners with a keen interest in the visual environment. Applications are open now with a closing date of Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023. For further information and to apply please follow this link.

### Get Into Law conference on Saturday 22 & Sunday 23 April (9:30am - 2pm)

Registration Link: Get Into Law Conference

This conference is the perfect opportunity for your students to learn everything they need to know about pursuing a career in the legal profession. At our conference, I will provide my insight as a judge into life within the legal industry. For just £15 entry, I will offer advice on:

- Life as a law student and a solicitor or barrister (realistic insight into law)
- Legal myth-busting and empowering you to achieve your dream!

### The Hollyfield School



- How competitive is it to 'get into law'?
- What really makes you stand out from the crowd?
- Your application timeline (compartmentalising and working SMART)
- CV, extracurricular activities and transferable skills for law
- The UCAS form key components to be aware of
- The personal statement (and the academic reference)
- Interviews (basics, deeper insights and how to shine)
- Entrance exams: LNAT, Cambridge/Oxford Law Exam and their significance.

### Year 12/13 - Free journalism workshops

If you're interested in a career in journalism our free, hands-on workshops will give you a glimpse into the industry and our award-winning NCTJ training. Whether you're just starting out or thinking of a career change, our practical sessions are suitable for those looking to get into news, sport, online or broadcast journalism. At the news journalism workshops our editors will get you tackling a breaking news exercise and we'll provide individual feedback on your stories. Our sports journalism workshops are delivered alongside Sportsbeat – the UK's leading sports news agency. Please sign up for our free journalism workshops https://newsassociates.co.uk/free-workshop/ or email training@newsassociates.co.uk.

- Friday April 14, 2023, 10am-12:30pm (in person London) News Associates and The School of Journalism open day
- Tuesday April 18, 2023, 7pm-9:30pm (remote) News journalism workshop

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **Links to Useful Information**

Term Dates 2022-2023
Uniform List
Extra-Curricular Activities - PE
Extra-Curricular Activities - Drama
Student well-being and safety

Form Tutor List
The School Day Times
Extra-Curricular Activities - Music
Staff List and Structure
Donation to School Fund

Key Dates
Menus
Extra-Curricular Activities - All
Severe Weather Procedure

#### Resilience in Children

If you are interested in further reading around building resilience in children this article is worth a read.

https://cmom.org/press/the-british-psycological-society-five-ways-to-boost-resilience-in-children/

## **LOCAL INFORMATION**

### Kooth

Kooth is an online crisis messenger service that Children and young people can access for free online mental health support with a professional counsellor - www.Kooth.com.

#### **Mental Health Resource sites**

- Mind in Kingston: run daily activities on zoom. Email RachelDykins@mindinkingston.org.uk for details.
- Childline: <u>information and advice</u> on a range of topics including feelings, relationships, family and schools. Childline is there to help anyone under 19 in the UK with any issue they're going through. Call: <u>0800 1111</u>.



- Anna Freud Centre: 90 resources and strategies <a href="https://www.annafreud.org/selfcare/">https://www.annafreud.org/selfcare/</a>.
- Samaritans: Samaritans a safe place for you to talk any time you like, in your own way, about whatever's getting to you. Call: 116 123.
- Shout Shout is the UK's first free 24/7 text service for anyone in crisis anytime, anywhere. Text Shout to <u>85258</u>.
- National Domestic Abuse Helpline: We are a team of highly-trained, female advisers. We won't judge you or tell you what to do; we are here to listen. Call: <u>0808 2000 247</u>/online chat.

### Information for adults

Young Minds - Parents Helpline - Worried about a child or young person's behaviour or mental health? Call the free helpline for confidential, expert advice. For more information visit: <a href="https://www.youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/">www.youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/</a>. Call 0808 802 5544.

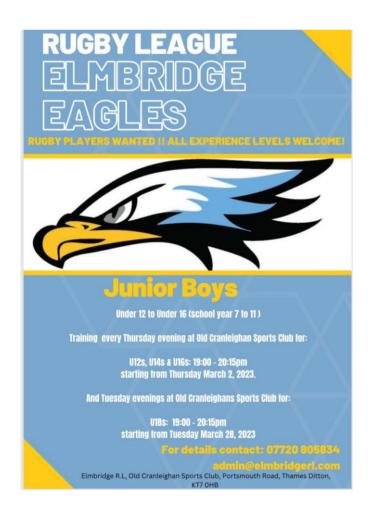
















### **EASTER HOLIDAYS 2023**

FREE Bikeability training for young cyclists in Year 5 and above who live or attend a school in Kingston or Sutton

### **Bikeability Level 1 & 2 Courses:**

Times: 10.00 - 12.00

Three sessions starting: 03/04/2022 or 11/04/2023

Venues: Rose Hill Tennis Courts (Sutton) OR Kingsmeadow Stadium

(Kingston)

### This training has three sessions per rider:

- The first session is an off road skills session.
- Sessions two and three introduce young cyclists to confident riding on residential roads
- Riders must be able to attend all three sessions

### Training includes:

- Bike checks Control skills On-road cycling Highway Code
  - ■ Please click here to read Information to Parents ■ ■
  - Click here to complete the Booking Form

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S01159 | 21/04/23 | FRI | 09:30 - 16:30 | 10wks | £380/FREE | HC

- DEVELOPING PERSONAL CONFIDENCE & EMOTIONAL RESILIENCE WR0068 | 22/04/23 | SAT,SUN | 09:30 - 17:00 | 1wk | £64/FREE | HC
- > EFFECTIVE LISTENING SKILLS LEVEL 2
- S01143 | 26/04/23 | WED | 09:30 12:30 | 5wks | £128/FREE | HC
- CONFIDENT PARENTING & CHILD SAFETY
  S01162 | 10/06/23 | SAT | 09:30 16:30 | 1wk | £47/£23.50 | HC
- STRESS & STRESS MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES LEVEL 1 B01528 | 14/06/23 | WED | 18:30 - 21:30 | 8wks | £137/FREE | HC







